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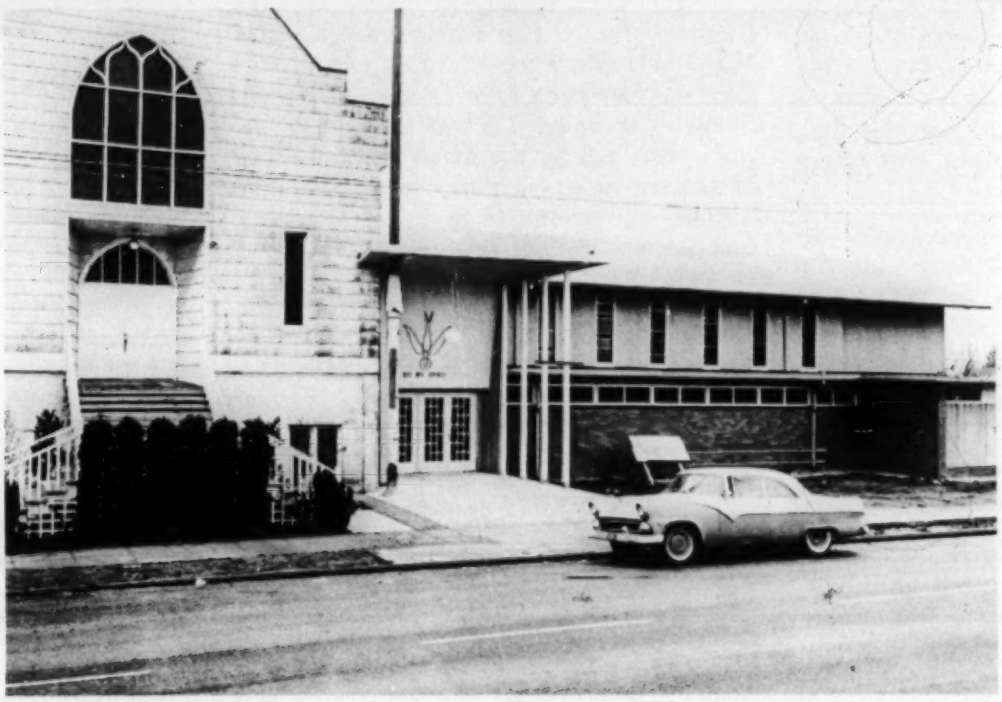


NEW SANCTUARY UNIT of the Englewood Christian Church is on the right. At the left is the old building, which will be remodeled into church-school classrooms.

Oregon Journal photo.

Englewood Church in Portland Dedicates New $100,000 Unit

The new $100,000 sanctuary unit of the Englewood Christian Church in Portland was dedicated on Sunday afternoon, March 15. The sanctuary will seat 450 persons.

The new unit includes a church office, minister,s study, baptismal rooms, and a choir room. Also in the new unit, but not completed, are a kitchen, social and dining hall, and three classrooms.

The exterior is brick and stained cedar siding. A large cross atop a pole that pierces the porches roof of the new unit towers above the adjacent older edifice, which will be remodeled into an educational plant.

Laminated arches support the roof. The wood ceiling is finished in natural color. Walls are sand plaster, colored to harmonize with the wood. Windows are cathedral glass with basic coloring of blue and mauve, enhanced by strips of red.

Members of the Englewood church and their role in the dedicatory services were as follows; Clarence Stromgren, chairman of the board, extended the official welcome; Irvin Walsh, chairman of the elders, gave recognition to the visiting churches; Vernon Morrow, chairman of the building committee, received the keys from the architect (John Foster) and presented them to William Entler, chairman of the trustees. Margarita Sawatsky as choir director, Goldie Pos as organist, and Jenny Entler and Arabelle Roberts as candle lighters also participated. Rev. Charles Warren, minister of the Englewood church, led the congregation in the litany of dedication.

Numerous visitors were present to aid in the services. They were as follows: Everett Cecil, minister of the Cedar Hills Christian Church; Harvey Goodling of the Second Evangelical and Reformed Church; Dr. Charles Addleman, executive secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society; Miss Loma Mae Jones, director of Christian Education for the OCMS; Alger Fitch of the NW Evangelistic Association; Mrs. Blewford Osburn of the Oregon Christian Women's Fellowship; Arthur Stevenson of the Northeast Ministers' Association; Dr. Mark A. Talney of the Oregon Council of Churches; and James Oslund of the Portland Council of Churches.

Kenneth Johnston, president of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, delivered the address of dedication and Harold Glen Brown, minister of the First Christian Church in Portland, offered the prayer of dedication.

The builders of the new unit were Teeples and Thatcher.

The EDITOR Speaks

Guest Editor Urges Christians to Raise Voice for Equality to All Minority Groups

It is recorded of our Lord that "He went about doing good." These are just five words, the longest having five letters — and yet, as we read the record, how strenuous and constant was his "doing good."

When we give ourselves wholly, unreservedly, to our Lord, the inevitable result is the desire to follow in his steps and "go about doing good." The world today, as in Jesus' day, has great, imperative needs.

With the Legislatures in session, the Christian Action Commission pleads for letters to your representatives and senators, both state and national, asking them to support the measures that will prevent gambling, confine alcohol to the greatest possible degree, and prevent obscene publications; it also asks you to lend your voice to equality for all minority groups. So often our practice has defeated the purpose of God that we might be one.

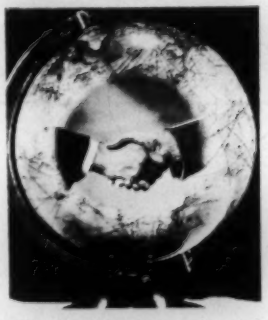
In the very appealing, revealing, and poignant book, **The Little Professor of Piney Woods,** Laurence Jones wrote: "No race has yet been able to master the superiority complex. Its fall may not be by the sword, but by the more subtle method of human hearts crying out to human hearts — a revolution of love." May God, through us, lead in this revolution.

Mrs. Effie Ritchey, chairman
Christian Action and Community
Service Commission

GOING TO WORLD CONVENTION?

When signing up for transportation to Edinburgh whether by ship or plane, it is not necessary to make a deposit until September 1, 1959. At that time firm prices will be known, and deposits will be required, but the Edinburgh Convention registration fee of $5.00 for adults and $2.50 for Missionaries and young people, 15 to 21, is now being received by the World Convention Indianapolis office.

THE WORLD CONVENTION — a world fellowship



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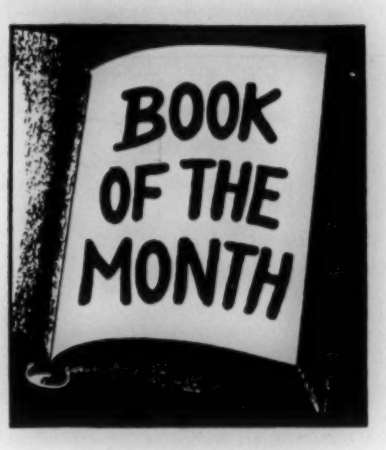

For April, 1959

"The Christian Layman and His Church"

by Mark Rutherford

Selected and reviewed by Herschell Richmond, pastor of First Christian Church, Rochester, Minn.

To reach our generation with an effective witness for Christ requires more than providing a Bible in the living language of our time. It is doubtful whether convention resolutions or even pulpit discourses, however eloquent, can turn the tide. The crucial conquest depends on challenging Christian laymen to translate the gospel into terms of daily life".

Mark Rutherford, in this little volume, attempts to summon lay members to recover Christianity as a layman's religion. The church at the beginning was a layman's affair. It was composed of laymen, who acted as laymen, and who spoke as laymen in their mission among laymen. Similarly, the only witness which can "turn the world upside down" for Christ today is that of responsible laymen.

The Christian witness today, as Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg said recently, calls for consecrated laymen to "bridge the gap between the way the gospel is preached and the way it is applied". Bridges are needed "for the flow of human communication in international relations, racial fellowship, church unity, and communion between the soul of man and the heart of God".

Here Mr. Rutherford outlines a practical guide to responsible churchmanship and challenges laymen to dedicate their time, talent, and resources to the total witness for Christ.

"The Christian Layman and His Church" is published by The Bethany Press and may be purchased from The Christian Board of Publication. Price $1.25 (paper).

News and Picture

DEADLINE

April 15

How Do Recent Congo Riots Affect Us? MISSIONS LEADER REVEALS IMPLICATIONS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Recent events in the Belgian Congo demand a shift of missionary efforts toward rapid educational development of native leaders for Christian schools and churches, according to the Rev. Robert Nelson, who directs mission work in the Belgian Congo for the Christian Churches.

Mr. Nelson was interviewed in his offices here about implications for missionary efforts of the recent rioting. He declared that "all possible personnel and funds should be put into the task of training a Christian Congolese leadership capable of the new opportunities and responsibilities opening to them."

Predicting the emergence of several democratic states in the heart of the Dark Continent, Mr. Nelson referred to the January 13 statement of the Belgian government and of King Baudouin promising the Congo a democracy "capable of exercising the prerogatives of sovereignty and of deciding upon its independence."

"All Africa," he observed, "is moving toward political self-assertion. The missionary effort must find its opportunity within this revolutionary framework or it will have no place in the future of these new republics."

As head of the Africa division of The United Christian Missionary Society, the missionary and Christian education agency of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), Mr. Nelson directs the work of 96 missionaries scattered throughout the Congo. With their families, these total better than 160 people.

In addition to the missionaries themselves, there are over 1000 native Congolese on the staffs of Disciple mission hospitals, schools, and churches. Most of these are mission educated. Some are paid by the native churches, many by the mission, and many, through the mission, by government (Belgian) subsidies.

Disciples of Christ missions in the Belgian Congo cooperate with those of other denominations, according to Mr. Nelson, among them Methodists, American Baptists, British Baptists, Covenant Church and Presbyterian.

One manifestation of African unrest has been demand for higher wages, Mr. Nelson pointed out. He said this has affected mission hospitals and schools and will necessitate either curtailment of the program or greatly increased budgets.

Development of Congolese leaders does not imply that the Christian Churches plan to withdraw missionaries, Mr. Nelson asserted. Rather, he said, it may mean opportunity for expansion of the mission program.

"Every effort must be made," he declared, "to convince our African Christian colleagues that we regard them as Christian adults and that we are willing to give them new responsibilities, standing with them as Christian partners so long as they have need."

Asked whether he regarded the uprisings "honest" expressions of the people or perhaps inspired from outside, Mr. Nelson expressed his conviction that they are legitimate expression of the people reaching for political independence. This opinion is based on word received from missionaries on the field as well as on his own observation during recent visits to the Congo.

He said, however, that he has no doubt the Communists are watching developments closely and will seize any opportunity to capitalize on developments "as they tried to do with Castro's revolution (in Cuba)."

FAMILY CAMP includes age-level sessions. Mrs. Everett Smith of Corvallis and her group of kindergartners enjoyed the out-of-doors at last year's camp. The Smiths are directors of the 1959 camp scheduled again for Crestview over the long Labor Day weekend.

Brotherhood Giving Gains 11 Per Cent in Year

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Christian Churches in the United States and Canada have increased their giving to missionary and benevolent causes by nearly 11 per cent, it has been revealed here at the board of review of Unified Promotion, the "community chest" of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ).

Dr. Spencer P. Austin, executive secretary of the fund raising agency which represents some 55 national, state and provincial agencies of the church body in the United States and Canada, announced that nearly two and one-half million dollars had been received and distributed, an increase of $229,737.35 during the first seven months of the current fiscal year.

Funds were received from more than 4,000 local Christian Churches, Dr. Austin stated. He added that 84 more churches were represented than last year.

"The Future Belongs to Inter-dependence," Says Speaker at Dedication Rites

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.— "Forty years of experience have demonstrated that the united way is the best way," Dr. John Paul Pack told his audience at dedication services for the new $500,000, four-story wing to Missions Building here March 4.

Dr. Pack, minister of the University Christian Church at Seattle and current president of the International Convention of Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ), was the keynote speaker.

Urging Christian Churches to continue their cooperation with other church bodies, Dr. Pack observed that "members of one church join hands with the members of other churches and together they are able to do what no single church could do alone."

"The future belongs not to exclusiveness but to inclusiveness — not independence and isolation but to inter-dependence," Dr. Pack concluded.

The 50-year-old-Missions Building, owned by The United Christian Missionary Society, the brotherhood's missionary and education organization, is at 222 So. Downey Avenue in the Irvington section of Indianapolis.

The new wing, to be called Alexander Campbell hall, has a separate entrance at 221 Ohmer Avenue. The first floor of the new wing will house the offices of the International Convention.

MRS. B. F. SHOEMAKER

Mrs. B. F. (Alice) Shoemaker died at Northwestern Christian Home, March 5. Mrs. Shoemaker was well known in Oregon, not only as mother of Gertrude Shoemaker (who is a missionary in the Belgian Congo) and Mrs. Delbert Daniels, wife of the minister at Bellflower, California, but also as executive secretary of the Oregon Christian Women's Fellowship for two years. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Salem for many years before she entered the Northwestern Christian Home.

IN CENTENNIAL SPIRIT: Neal J. King knows how to nurture his beard in fine fashion. He supports a family by barbering while attending N.C.C.

ENTRANCE TO BURKE HALL: This dormitory needs to be completed by building on to it the next units.

HONOR DAY BRINGS DR. CRAMBLET TO—

Northwest Christian College

—by Dr. Ross J. Griffeth

Northwest Christian College Day in the churches of the Northwest gives the students an opportunity to share their thoughts about the College with those in the churches who make possible their education. It also gives the members of the churches a chance to express their continued concern about Christian higher education and an educated Christian ministry. It gives the College a new lease on life and the funds with which to meet current bills.

It is never quite possible to measure the total of the offerings that come as a result of this observance. But when the fiscal year is over and the College is once again able to report all bills paid, it is certain that the N.C.C. Day in the churches has been worth while. Those at the College thank all who participate in the observance and pray that God's richest blessings may be yours.

Student Preview

Several hundred letters have been sent out to young people and their sponsors to invite them to the Student Preview on April 24 and 25. Those who are invited are high-school seniors and juniors. The purpose is to tell those Christian young people about the educational program at Northwest Christian College. It is a pleasure to have many on campus and to point to them the way to a Christian college education.

Dr. Cramblet

Dr. Wilbur Cramblet, president of the Christian Board of Publication, has accepted an invitation to deliver the Honor Day message on May 21. This is the time when announcement is made of many awards and honors, including scholarship awards to those students who have achieved a high measure of academic excellence.

Centennial Spirit

Something of the spirit of the Oregon Centennial pervades the Northwest Christian College campus these days. A variety of beards may be seen on display by those Oregonians who enjoy entering into the spirit of the celebration. None of the professors have dared to lay aside the razor as yet. While several decades ago it was thought proper for the college professor to wear a well groomed beard, this is generally regarded now as improper. Such is the way customs change.

Campaign of Advance

The ONE THOUSAND MILE ADVANCE in Quality Christian Education is moving forward splendidly as more and more people get into the effort. The campaign has attracted the attention of many persons of considerable significance because of its unique character. Now we must make it fully successful in reaching the goal of $528,000.

Dr. Hoven Book

The New Testament Epistles—Outline Studies by Dr. Victor E. Hoven, was recently published by Baker Book House. This book has been chosen for special distribution by the Old Paths Book Club. As Dr. Hoven says, to use this book, one must keep his Bible open. It is a most excellent study guide to the New Testament Epistles. The price is $3.50. It can be purchased through your bookstore, from the publisher, or from Northwest Christian College.

Placement Opportunities

Approximately 45 seniors will be awarded degrees at the June Commencement of N.C.C. A few of the men are interested in taking positions as assistant ministers and youth directors. A few young women of the class are available to work with churches in the field of Christian education or as church secretaries. If interested in securing the services of one of these young people, now is the time to make contact with them through Northwest Christian College.

DECADE OF DECISION

Program Wins Approval at Council Meeting

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The brotherhood's program for the decade of the 1960's was further approved here at a meeting of the Council of Agencies.

Known as the "Decade of Decision," the program will involve the majority of our local Christian Churches and national, regional, state, and provincial agencies in the United States and Canada.

The program for the next decade will embrace some 20 emphases, including evangelism, church establishment, the ministry, Christian education, world mission, Christian action and community service, and others. A program manual will be prapared for the local church covering each of the above areas, which will assist the churches in developing their own program. In addition, a local church planning instrument, in the form of a self-evaluation and program planning guide, will be provided.

As a means of undergirding the ten-year program, a financial procedure was adopted calling for a "goal of giving" from local Christian Churches amounting to "as much for others as for themselves." In 1960-61, the objective would be $1.00 out of $5.00; 1963-64, $1.00 outt of $4.00; 1966-67, $1.00 out of $3.00; reaching $1.00 out of $2.00 for non-local church purposes by 1970.

The "Decade of Decision" program will urge local churches to combine capital needs into their regular budgets during the decade, thus eliminating the necessity of special capital campaigns during this period. Agreements have been reached among the agencies for a unified promotional approach to the churches for both regular and capital giving. It was pointed out that the churches, as a result of last year's "listening conferences," strongly recomended a unified approach to the churches during the "Decade of Decision."

To implement the launching of the ten-year program, plans have been laid for a training session with leaders early next spring, followed by 75 training sessions with ministers and lay people across the country to conclude with local church visitations to more than 4,500 local churches before the end of 1960 to explain and launch the entire "Decade of Decision" program.

The "Decade of Decision" program will be given final approval at the International Convention Assembly scheduled for Denver, Colorado, August 28 - September 2 of this year. Two hours have been allocated in the Denver Convention program for explanation of the program as planned thus far.

May 11-22 Is Workshop Date for —

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Edna L. Burke

District all-day workshops for Christian Women's Fellowship will be held this year May 11-22. The schedule of places and dates is as follows: District 2, Tillamook, May 11; district 3, May 12, Dayton; district 1, May 13, Cedar Hills; district 4, May 14, Halsey (tentative); district 5, Glenwood, May 15; district 6, Elkton, May 18; district 6 (coast area) North Bend, May 19; district 7, Klamath Falls, May 21; district 8, May 22, Madras.

District 9 two-hour workshop in connection with the eastern Oregon spring convention will be on the morning of April 7, in Hermiston. Program details will be announced later. Members of the state board will direct the programs; members of local churches will be helping. We are able at this time, however, to announce that Hattie Mitchell will be the guest missionary speaker for the one-day May workshops. We think this very fortunate in view of the fact that the overseas theme for C.W.F. will be Africa.

New CWF at Glendale

Early in February, Mrs. Blewford Osburn, state C.W.F. president, visited the women of the Glendale church near Grants Pass. She presented the work of Christian Women's Fellowship and organized the women. They are now a part of the state organization. We extend congratulations and a hearty welcome to this new group. This brings the total number of C.W.F. groups in Oregon to 79.

Mrs. B. F. Shoemaker

Mrs. B. F. (Alice) Shoemaker, who recently passed away at the Northwestern Christian Home after a brief illness, was executive secretary of The Oregon Christian Women's Missionary Society for two years: 1934-36. Her charming personality, deep consecration, and passion for the missionary cause around the world, were a real inspiration to everyone. Prior to her death she had been a guest in the home at Beaverton for several years. One of her daughters, Gertrude Shoemaker, currently serving in the Belgian Congo, is well known and much loved in Oregon.

Area Executives Meet

The Oregon, South Idaho and Utah area Christian Women's Fellowship executive committee, composed of two representatives from each of the three states, the executive secretary and the treasurer, met with Miss Velva Dreese, assistant to Miss Jessie Trout in the national office, in Portland on March 30-31 to make plans for the future. The Mallory Avenue Christian church was hostess to this group.

Mrs. Yokum Sends Greetings

It was my great pleasure during the February Staff meeting in Indianapolis to have a visit with Mrs. Edith Eberle Yokum, who for so many years served as Director of Sales Literature, The United Society. She sent personal greetings to her many good friends of Oregon. She seems cheerful and quite well.

Ninety and Nine Men Announce Summer Camps

The Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood announces that it will as usual, be conducting camps this summer for boys and girls, ages 10 to 12 (grades 4, 5, and 6). The camps will be held at the following places:

Turner — Combined camp	June 21-27
Turner — Girls	July 12-18
Cove —Boys	July 12-18
Cove —Girls	July 19-25
Turner —Boys	July 19-25
Fir Point —Boys	Aug. 2-8
Fir Point —Girls	Aug. 9-15
Wi-Ne-Ma —Boys	Aug. 15-22

Central Oregon dates to be arranged.
Fees including insurance — $11.50.

Those desiring information and reservations should get in touch with Stanley Glick, Route 2, Box 879, Creswell, Oregon. Organizations wishing to donate fruit, vegetables, or meat for these camps should write to Mr. Glick.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS TO WORLD CONVENTION

How can you go to the 1960 Edinburgh World Convention? There are two ways —by ship and by plane. Arrangements have been made with the dependable Cunard Steamship Line for space on three fine ships. One will sail down the St. Lawrence River from Montreal, Canada, and the other two from New York. All three ships will arrive at their British ports in time for the first session of the Edinburgh Convention on the evening of August 2. Also, arrangements have been made with Pan American Airways, by the World Convention for chartered planes from New York to Edinburgh. Each plane holds 71 passengers.

Family-Life Clinics Evoke Enthusiasm

"Amazed enthusiasm" of participants was obvious in 20 family-life clinics in the last four years, says Dr. Richard E. Lentz, family-life director for The United Christian Missionary Society.

Clinics were held in cities (such as Dayton, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Omaho and Grand Rapids) with a combined population of 7,500,000. Some 9,000 delegates were sent by 600 churches.

Delegates, who previously had studied their own church's family-life program, utilized a year's pre-clinic survey of their community's family life. They discussed relationships with community family-service organizations.

Dr. Lentz will be guest director for the Family Life Pilot Clinic scheduled for May 4, 5 and 6 at the Kern Park Christian Church for the greater Portland, Salem, Hood River area.

1400 Hear Thomas Griffin at Area Workshops

Your Christian Action Commission members wish to express their gratitude to the host churches and their pastors for their preparations to insure the successful visit of Thomas Griffin. Mr. Griffin, who is from the United Christian Missionary Society, spoke to more than 1400 persons while in the following cities: Dallas, Portland, Eugene, Springfield, Grants Pass, Medford, Bend, and La Grande.

The consensus was that Mr. Griffin opened our eyes to many fields of Christian action and practical methods for doing God's work.

Mrs. Gerald Wood
Mrs. J. D. Morse
Mrs. H. D. Peterson
Frank Goodwin
Charles Warren
Leighton Dashiell
Mrs. Effie Ritchey,
chairman

Wema, D.C.C.M.
Boende, Congo Belge
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Sept. 3, 1958

Unified Promotion
Box 5636
Indianapolis 19, Indiana

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is a check for $4.87 for World Missions from the Congolese children in the Beginner and Primary departments at Wema.

We realize that this is not such a large amount but for these small children, who have no real spending money, it represents sharing liberally what they have. Each child brought at least 5 francs (10¢) for this offering which they knew was to go to help others as they are being helped with mission giving. Since it is the first time the children have done anything of this kind, we are quite proud of them and of their parents for making it possible.

With best wishes from the children in the Sunday school at Wema, I am

Sincerely yours,

Helen Weeks

Mrs. Claylon D. Weeks

By Their Fruits . . .

This letter tells a tremendous story. Coming from the children of the Boende (Africa) Sunday school, it testifies to the fruit borne of our mission work.

These youngsters, themselves first generation Christians, now want to share in missions. On Children's Day, as special offerings for missions are received in our Sunday schools and churches, we should be challenged by this letter. Just as they gave **much** out of the **little** they possess, so may we give **generously** out of our **abundance.**

New Year Book Reports Brotherhood Gains

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — There are nearly 2 million members of the Christian Churches now in the United States and Canada, according to the communion's just-published Year Book.

Compiled and published by The International Convention of Christian Churches at its headquarters in Indianapolis, the Year Book reports 1,929,464 members in this country and its neighbor to the north.

Disciples of Christ throughout the world totaled 2,242,469 for the year ending June 30, 1958, according to the Year Book.

Oklahoma churches showed the greatest net membership gain during the year ending last June 30. They increased by 10,454 members.

Year book figures show that members of the Christian Churches support their local churches to the extent of $40.75 per capita and support missionary enterprises with $7.02 per church member. The figure for total giving for all causes is $78,335,794.28.

Churches reporting additions in membership show that 54,065 were admitted by baptism and 63,560 by transfer from other congregations, some from other Christian Churches and some from other Protestant affiliations.

Church schools of the Disciples of Christ, in the United States, show a total enrollment for 1957-58 of 1,276,231.

Orders may be sent to The Christian Board, Beaumont and Pine Blvd., Box 179, St. Louis 66, Mo. Cost of paper-bound copies is $3.50; cloth-bound, $5.00, when accompanied with cash payment. A charge for postage will be added for charge orders.

State CYF Commission Scores Success

Every year we report that the State CYF Commission was the best one we've ever had — and it's always true! The Commission held in Eugene in March drew a large attendance of 185 young people and 59 adult counselors and leaders. The messages by Loren Arnett, pastor of the Broadway Christian Church in Yakima, Washing, were thought-provoking and excellently delivered; the discussion groups were stimulating; the dramatic worship services were outstanding; the informal fellowship, wonderful; the meals, superb; and the warm hospitality of the host church left nothing to be desired.

One of the highlights of Commission each year is the election of new state officers for Oregon CYF. Congratulations to the following young people who have been chosen with high honor to lead their fellow CYF'ers in the coming year: president, Carl Anglin, Mallory Avenue Christian Church, Portland; vice-president, Gary Holliday, Forest Grove; secretary, Linda Capps, First Christian Church of Salem; worship, Linda Rambo, Milton-Freewater; study, David Farr, Coquille; service, Mary Lyman, First Christian Church, Eugene; enlistment, Janet Gray, Pendleton; recreation, Grace Goede, Grants Pass.

"MAKING THE MOST OF TIME"

"Making the Most of the Time," recently published book by Christopher T. Garriott, is a timely interpretation of the Christian message of redemption.

The book won the 1958 Bethany Press Book Award in the category of Christian religion.

Dr. Garriott is minister of St. Paul Community Church in Homewood, Ill. This is his second book.

He examines two of today's vital issues —how Christianity can help man face modern pressures, and how man can use time to further Christian principles.

Definite ways in which Christian love can banish frustration, futility, and pessimism are cited.

A rich use of literary and historical illustrations point out the universality of human problems and puts these problems into proper "time perspective."

"Making the Most of the Time" may be purchased from the Christian Board of Publication, Box 179, St. Louis 66, Mo. for $3.00 per copy.

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Can One Be Neutral in Regard to Missionary Work?

"Do you believe in cooperative missionary work?" a church board asked a minister it had in mind to call. "I go whichever way the church goes," replied the minister, believing that this implies neutrality. Actually this reflects opposition or indifference to brotherhood cooperation.

One who believes in cooperation says so. Sometimes churches as well as individuals assume they can be neutral in regard to whether missionary work is cooperative or independent. Neutrality is impossible for one who has convictions. At best it is a tentative position.

"Can one be neutral?" Only if one is completely ignorant, has no loyalties, no love, no purpose, no intentions, can one be neutral. "To know is to judge." Knowledge or the lack of it gives one a point of view. Life is by nature biased. No neutral decision or action is possible, for all we do has meaning and direction in relation to purpose and knowledge. Each decision made is for or against cooperation in some way or other.

Can one support two sides of a question? One may look at both sides of any issue. He may face any problem fairly, frankly, and honestly; but the moment he does he is no longer neutral. Even when protests and says, "Ah, but . . . " he expresses an opinion and indicates which way he leans. One may decide to support both sides or parties in an issue for selfish or other purposes, but he is always inclined toward one or the other.

No one is neutral. One may be indifferent and unconcerned but he is not neutral. One cannot say to his garden, "I will be neutral and not interfere with the weeds or the flowers." By so doing he supports the weeds. No one can be neutral about the religion of his children. To neglect this is to side with secularism. No church can be neutral or even indifferent about missions without supporting indirectly a pagan world. When a minister asks a church to take a "middle of the road" position, that minister is not neutral. No minister is neutral in regard to cooperation.

No church is neutral. A minister told the writer he was neutral in regard to cooperative work. He told his church he was a "middle of the road man." All the while he was eliminating the use of all literature connected with cooperative brotherhod work. All young people were directed from young people's conferences to Christian service camps. Teachers who believed in cooperative missions were replaced. Finally when he could not swing the church to independency, he split it, for no church is neutral. Neutrality is too often the refuge of the weak or the deceptive means of covering one's convictions. When there are questions about national agencies, the place to get first hand information is from the agencies themselves. The United Society will gladly furnish information to churches facing this issue.

(from **Leaven,** Nov. 1958) by
George Earle Owen

N.C.C. Will Be Host to Area Consultation on Christian Unity

A series of ten area unity consultations has been scheduled for the next six months. The purpose of the consultations is to consider the main ecumenical issues now before the brotherhood, or likely to be in the next few years, in order to project principles and alternatives for action, thought, and action.

Disciple seminaries, or in some areas, colleges, and regional secretaries, have taken responsibility for selecting participants, securing accommodations, planning the agenda, appointing speakers and study leaders, conducting the consultations, and providing reports and liaison for the follow-up.

Some of the questions for which the consultations will seek answers are as follows:

1. What are the important current developments in the ecumenical movement and what is their meaning in redemption-history?
2. What is the unity Disciples hope for (cooperation? "spiritual"? "organic"?)
3. What basic principles should guide us in conversing with other communions about possible unions?

The consultations will be held at Enid, Oklahoma; Chicago, Illinois; Lynchburg, Virginia; Indianapolis, Indiana; Toronto, Canada; Fort Worth, Texas; Des Moines, Iowa; Southern California; Lexington, Kentucky; and Eugene, Oregon.

The area consultation at Eugene, Oregon, will be held at Northwest Christian College, April 14-15. President Ross J. Griffeth is designated as convenor.

C. F. SWANDER, VETERAN CHRISTIAN LEADER, DIES IN PORTLAND, MARCH 22

As the **Oregon Christian** went to press, news was received that **C.F. Swander,** affectionately known to his friends as "Pop" died in Portland, Sunday, March 22. Having been in ill health for many months, he was being cared for at the Graystone Nursing Home.

As most Oregon Christians remember Rev. Swander was a veteran in the service of State Missionary causes. For many years he was executive secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention. Upon his retirement he was succeeded by Charles Addleman.

Rev. Swander is survived by his wife, Cordelia, and his son, Courtney, who is presently taking language instruction in preparation for becoming a missionary in Mexico.

Further details will be printed in next month's Oregon Christian.

"Space, Atoms, and God"

The place of Christianity in the space age is the subject of "Space, Atoms, and God," a new Bethany Press publication by Jack Finegan.

Dr. Finegan, professor at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, Calif., is the author of more than a dozen other books on religion and archeology.

In his current book, Dr. Finegan analyzes the ambiguities and fears of the space age as contrasted with the age of love and hope begun in Jesus Christ.. The nature of God — his power and loving kindness and concern for man — is reviewed with perceptive insight.

The book is a Pulpit Book Club selection for March.

"Space, Atoms, and God" may be purchased from the Christian Board of Publication, Box 179, St. Louis 66, Mo., for $3.00 per copy.

Turner WCTU Plans Fellowship Dinner at Convention

The Turner Women's Christian Temperance Union voted at the last meeting to sponsor another fellowship dinner for the first day of the State Convention at the Turner grounds this summer. All those who come to the grounds early are invited to participate. In the afternoon a meeting is being planned by one of the honorary members in the person of Chas. C. Curtiss. It will be held in Swander Lodge again this year, the same as last year.

News and Picture DEADLINE April 15

Council of Churches Sponsors New Conference for Northwest Area

Some 3,000 pastors, laymen, and laywomen received special leadership training in the interpretation of the Christian World Mission at seven interdenominational conferences from coast to coast in 1958. An eighth such conference will be established this year in the Pacific Northwest.

Meeting in some of the finest sites, these conferences in 1959 will combine education with inspiration, information, and recreation. Missionaries, fraternal workers and nationals and other outstanding mission authorities will speak and lead seminars on "Africa," "Town and Country" and other related subjects.

Pastors, mission committee chairmen of conferences, synods, associations, presbyteries, districts, and local churches are invited to participate.

The conference which meets in the Pacific Northwest is the **Pacific Northwest Missionary Education Conference, August 7-12, at College of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wash. Contact: Dr. Clark J. Wood, Room 811, at 920 Second Ave., Seattle 4, Wash. Families welcome.**

Among the features of the conferences will be platform addresses, classes and seminars, discussion groups, denominational workshops, United Church Women's workshops, fellowship hours with missionaries and nationals, consultation with leaders, etc.

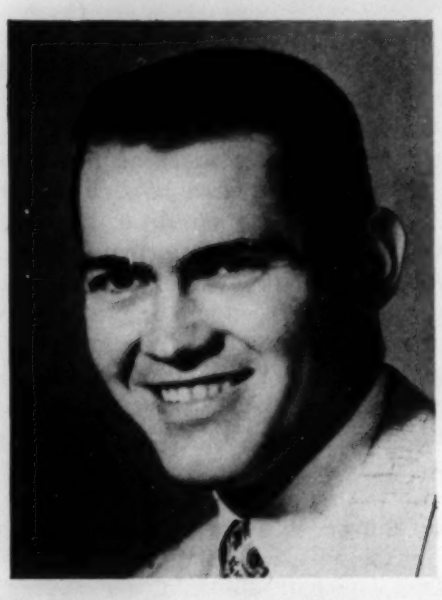
The conferences are sponsored by mission and education agencies of major Protestant denominations and by four units of the National Council of Churches.

HOW TO RE-INVEST LOVE

The 4.5 million widows and 1.5 million widowers 65 years of age and above in the United States have an opportunity of "re-investing their love" through writing of a Christian will, says Rev. Roland K. Huff, of Unified Promotion, Indianapolis.

Members of Christian Churches throughout the country are being urged to write a Christian will. Special attention is being given to this during the spring. Consult your pastor and a Christian lawyer, is the advice given. Obtain through the church or state office a copy of the booklet, "A Responsible Disciple Makes a Christian Will," This lists the legal names of all the brotherhood agencies and gives helpful suggestions for the writing of a will.

News of the Christian Student Centers



DALE FERNOW, new president of the student group at Eugene Christian House.

DULCINA ELLIOTT REPORTS FROM EUGENE

New officers for the Eugene Christian House for 1958-9 are as follows: President, Dale Fernow of Modesto, California; Vice-president, Gwen Char, Honolulu, Hawaii; recording secretary, Sandra Densmore, Melrose (Ore.); corresponding secretary, Pat Pritchett, Oceanlake (Ore.); treasurer, Mel Metcalf, Lebanon (Ore.); historian, Charlene Barrentine, Ontario, (Ore.); editor, Sharon Anderson, Craigmont, Idaho; executive advisor, Janice Gleason, Longview, Wash. They will be installed by Ronnie Richards, national president of the Disciples Student Fellowship, at a special service Sunday evening, April 5, following the close of the regional conference at Menucha.

Birthday time is here for the Eugene Christian House. Remember YOU and other members of your church are most cordially invited to help celebrate the tenth anniversary of the opening of the House. The last three Sundays of April there will be open house, program, and coffee hour from 3-5 p.m. when alumni, board members, church leaders of the state, and active students will share something of the challenge of our campus ministry. Bring a carload or two from your church to get acquainted with the personnel and program of Christian House. Dates: April 12 - 19 - 26. Be sure to come!

The annual planning conference for our Eugene campus ministry will be held at Nelscott in Harmony Lodge, May 1-3.

Mothers are invited to the annual Mothers Breakfast, which will be held during Mothers' Weekend at the University of Oregon, Sunday, May 17.

BIBLE-SCHOOL CLASS, Sunday mornings, at the Corvallis Christian Student Center. Two groups meet on Sunday; in addition there are midweek classes, one meeting at noon to study courtship and marriage and another meeting in the evening to study the Old Testament. During spring term there will be a noon class on the life of Christ.

LAWRENCE PORTER, CAMPUS MINISTER, CORVALLIS

The Corvallis Christian Student Commission had its regular quarterly meeting on March 16, with 27 members present and a guest, Harold Johnson, president of the Oregon Christian Student Foundation.

Mr. Johnson stated that as Oregon ministers were taking more interest and responsibility for the financing of the Student Centers they would also expect to take a larger part in policy making.

A joint committee appointed by Mr. Johnson and Ray Hewitt, chairman of the Corvallis commission, is looking for a new campus minister to replace Lawrence Porter, who is retiring June 30, after serving five years at the Student Center. Russel Adams of Corvallis is chairman of the committee. Mr. Adams states that no replacement has yet been found for Mr. Porter.

Robert T. Huber has become director of Campus Christian Life, to take the place held by Parker Rossman, who resigned to become Professor of Religion in Higher Education at Yale University. Campus Christian Life, formerly known as the Student Work Office, is under a joint committee of the Department of Higher Education and the United Christian Missionary Society.

Attendance of 10,000 Anticipated at—

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN DENVER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Sunday, April 5, was the national registration "kick-off" date for the Denver International Convention Assembly. The Assembly, scheduled for August 28 to September 2, will be held in Denver's Municipal auditorium.

"Called to His Purpose" has been selected as the theme of the convention, the largest, oldest, and most representative assembly of our churches. The Denver meeting will feature the 1959-60 brotherhood emphasis on Appraisal and Forecast, and the 150th anniversary of the writing of the "Declaration and Address" by Thomas Campbell. Dr. A. C. Brooks, minister of Third Christian Church of Indianapolis, is chairman of the Program Committee.

A significant change for the Denver Assembly will be an increase in registration fees from $3.00 to $4.00 for adults, and from $1.50 to $2.00 for students, prior to the opening of the convention. During the Assembly, adult registrations will be $5.00.

W. Harold Edds, Convention business manager, explains that the registration fee increase has resulted from rising costs over the last 13 years during which time the fees have remained constant.

Dr. John Paul Pack, minister University Christian Church, Seattle, Wash., and president of the International Convention, will deliver the keynote President's address at the opening session on Friday evening, August 28. The Assembly will continue through Wednesday, September 2.

The Denver Convention will afford opportunity for fellowship periods with missionaries and other brotherhood leaders, forums dealing with the functional committees of the church, college and seminary luncheons, and programs planned for college and high school age young people.

Arrangements have been made to provide inexpensive housing for youth of high-school age at the Colorado Women's College and special programs are being planned for them.

Housing facilities in Denver will be adequate, with a high use of motels anticipated to handle family units combining the Convention with the last chance for a vacation. Accommodations in downtown hotels, although not plentiful, will be available upon early reservation. Rooms in private homes also available.

Descriptive materials will be provided all churches the week following Easter in preparation for the April 5 "Kick-Off" for registrations. Included will be a general folder, a poster, registration cards, and hotel, motel and private home request forms. Additional copies of any of this material may be secured from the International Convention office.

A registration of 10,000 Disciples is anticipated from the United States and Canada. The Rocky Mountain host area — Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico, Idaho and Montana — has accepted a registration goal of approximately 4,000.

DAVE ROOMY, International CYF President

Oregon CYF Set To Welcome President

Oregon CYF'ers are looking forward with eager anticipation to the visit of their international president, Dave Roomy, here in April. Dave comes from Logan, West Virginia, and has been active in youth affairs in his home church, his state, and nation. Last summer he was in a work camp in Jamaica, and this year he has taken a year from his studies at Bethany College to travel around the United States and Canada on behalf of Christian Youth Fellowship. Here is his schedule in Oregon:

Monday,	April 13,	Albany, First
Tuesday,	April 14	Coquille
Wednesday,	April 15	Grants Pass
Thursday,	April 16	Bend
Friday,	April 17	Salem, 1st
Saturday,	April 18	Interdenominational youth rally, Camp Magruder
Sunday,	April 19	Portland, 1st
Monday,	April 20	Rest
Tuesday,	April 21	Pendleton

These will be evening rallies from 7:30 to 9:00, except for the Portland rally on Sunday afternoon. We urge all young people of the state to attend the meeting closest to them and avail themselves of this wonderful opportunity to meet personally our President Dave!

Local Promoters Desired for Oregon Christian

Does your church have an **Oregon Christian** secretary? If not, why not appoint one now, to shepherd the subscription list to the **Oregon Christian?** Every church needs at least one person to solicit new subscriptions, remind subscribers when renewals are due, and promote the **Oregon Christian** in group meetings.

The new group-subscription rates offer real incentive to an **Oregon Christian secretary**, because of the savings they make possible. When ten or more subscriptions are sent in to the State Office (Oregon Christian Missionary Society, 312 Fitzpatrick Building, Portland) at one time, accompanied by the money, the rate is seventy-five cents per subscription for the year.

Church Attendance Gains

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE in the United States reached a record high during 1958, according to the year-end report of the American Institute of Public Opinion. Dr. George Gallup, director, reported that 50,500,000 adults attended church and synagogue services during an average week. This was an increase of 2,000,000 over 1957. The figures are projected from a nation-wide sample polled four times during the year.

Other findings of the poll were: (1) More women (55%) attended worship than men (45%). (2) Attendance is highest in the Midwest (54%) compared with the East, 52%; South 51%; and Far West, 35%. (3) Those aged 30 to 49 attend more regularly (51%). Aged 21-29, 48%; 50 and over, 48%. (4) Attendance of Roman Catholics is 74%; of Protestant, 44%; of Jews, 18%

Salem Calls David Branson

The First Christian Church of Salem has extended a call to David Branson of Clearwater, Kansas, to serve as Youth Director and Director of Christian Education.

Mr. Branson holds both the A.B. and B.D. degrees from Phillips University of Enid, Oklahoma. He has had special training in the field of Christian education. Mr. Branson is a native of Kansas.

Around The State With The Churches

JOHN DAY: One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Dedication day, May 3. In February, Sunday school attendance was 22 per cent above last year and worship service 23 per cent above. Philip Ryan, minister.

ST. HELENS: Six added by baptism, 2 otherwise. March 8-13 was a most successful evangelistic meeting, with an average attendance of 105 for six nights of preaching, with Ivan Correll as song leader, and Wayne Bryant, minister, bringing the messages. Ground breaking for the new church was held March 22. Sunday school and church attendance now running over 200.

GLENWOOD: Host to Lane County convention, March 8. Have established and are working on a fund for the baptistry. Mrs. R. A. Cook, reporter. Don Campbell, pastor.

SUTHERLIN: Completed a prayer chapel and renovation of the chancel with special lighting installed to highlight the Lord's supper. NCC student team recently conducted a religious census of the town. Harold Robbins, minister.

NORTH BEND: Three added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Completed lower-floor classrooms and social halls, including all interior decorating. Laymen's Crusader counseling services, in preparation for pre-Easter evangelistic meetings, with Dr. Ralph Byron as leader, held here with 14 churches participating. Dr. Ross Griffeth and male quartet here for NCC Day, March 8. A reception for 41 new members in the last 6 months was held March 18. Mrs. Charles Dennis, reporter. Len Fishback, pastor.

ESTACADA: Observed Week of Compassion for the first time with $15.00 offering. Evangelistic campaign, led by Howard Hutchins, scheduled for April. Plans are under way for a new educational-recreation addition. Youth work continues after losing one-half the group when the construction families moved. David Worden, minister.

EUGENE - ALLISON PARK: Two added by baptism. On February 26, the young people held a dinner with the proceeds going to a local boy for hospital expenses. Work is progressing on the new building. Sunday school and church attendance is 10 per cent higher than last year. Dr. Lawrence Bixler, of NCC, will be speaker for the Family Life Institute in May. Elean Inman, reporter. Earl Sample, minister.

WALLOWA: One added by baptism. Annual Fellowship dinner with election of officers was held February 27. An offering for Week of Compassion was taken. New officers were installed at the morning service March 8. Earl Moore, minister.

MADRAS: Three added by baptism. Recent speakers have been Dr. John Ross and Jack Sutton. CYFers attended State Commission in Eugene, March 6-7. Held a one-week visitation evangelism program and one-week preaching mission with Sherman Moore, state director of evangelism, March 9-20. Jack Naff, minister.

REDMOND: Four added by transfer. Host for Fifth-Sunday rally, March 22. Planning for 300 for the fellowship dinner. Mrs. T. H. Moody, reporter. Richard Merriman, pastor.

PORTLAND - SOUTHGATE: Mrs. Donald McGavran was our guest, March 8, the first missionary to speak from our pulpit. A new order of worship, with communion at the close, was started March 15. According to the new YEARBOOK, we stand fourth in the state for per capita missions giving. Our church was featured in a recent WORLD CALL article on new churches. A Stewardship of Tithing program is in progress from Easter to Pentecost. Earle B. Van Slyck, minister.

ATHENA: One added by baptism. C. Paul Moore, minister, helped in two-week evangelistic meetings in Wallowa and Gooding, Idaho. Planning a $2500 building improvement program this spring. New hymn books purchased by Kingdom Builder's class, Ordination service for Dale Moore, son of minister, held on Easter.

SALEM - COURT STREET: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Professor William Richardson, of NCC, led us in a pre-Easter meeting. W. H. Lyman, pastor. **YONCALLA:** Three added by baptism. Ren M. Hollister, pastor.

MEDFORD: Three added by baptism, 16 otherwise. Held evangelistic preaching on the doctrines and beliefs of the Christian Church, March 8-15, to enlighten those interested in joining the church. Held a week of Fireside evangelism, with Decision Sunday on Palm Sunday. Evangelistic preaching done by regular minister, William C. Piper.

MOLALLA Served 165 at our birthday dinner, February 15. New robes have been purchased for the choir. The balcony is being rejuvenated as a parents' room for those with small children. Fred Hatchell, pastor.

PORTLAND - ROCKWOOD: Three added by transfer. Bible school over one hundred each Sunday with 110 the record. A committee is studying plans for a needed additional educational unit. Representatives of the Board of Church Extension met with us in April. Offerings for February were over $400. Elery Parrish, pastor.

HEPPNER: Seven added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Preaching mission held February 23 - March 6, with Harry Baird as guest minister. A 10:00 a.m. prayer service was held each day. Host to District 90 and 9 meeting, March 16. Pastor's class held from February 18 to Easter, using Damphier's "Work Book on Christian Doctrine." Charles Knox, minister.

BROWNSVILLE: Minister Don Blakeley resigned. Wingo Eggleston, reporter.
GRESHAM: Three added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Had wonderful meeting with Clyde Freeman. Larry Baird, minister.
CRABTREE: New Bible-school unit is progressing nicely with work days each Thursday and Saturday. February 28, 90 and 9 men held a work day, with 27 men

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representing 7 churches, organized by Lee Scott, district president. Robert Church, minister.

YARNELL: Three added by baptism. We had a church dinner to raise funds for a new roof. We realized $150 for this purpose. Bill Backstrom, pastor.

MYRTLE POINT: One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Old building torn down. New building begun just after Easter. Meeting in Seventh Day Adventist building during time of construction. Attendance in Bible School and morning worship exceptionally fine. Glen W Hutton, pastor.

MYRTLE CREEK: One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Average attendance of 50 for our first School of Missions held in February. John Myers, minister, has been elected president of the Tri-City ministerial alliance.

DUFUR: Three added by baptism, 4 otherwise. Week of Compassion was observed with a Brotherhood dinner, February 22, and an offering of $183.73. Presented an Easter cantata, "My Redeemer Liveth" for the community. Harry V. Atkins, minister.

EUGENE - WESTSIDE: Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. We furnished the money and manpower for one-half of the auditorium finishing at the Mapleton church, as an Easter project. Groundbreaking for our own new auditorium was March 22, with H. V. Johnson as speaker. Lynnton Elwell, minister.

ROSEBURG - FIRST: One added by baptism. Speakers for School of Missions included Mrs. Don McGavran, Ted Yamamori, Ella Hadley, and Dr. Mark Talney, Each service was concluded with a coffee hour and a "question and answer" time. Sunday school and church was in a stewardship program during March. B. Ross Evans, ad interim minister.

SALEM - FIRST: Six added by baptism, 4 otherwise. Held Father-Son banquet with 200 attending. Golden-age members and friends were guests at a party, and old-time church and Sunday-school momentoes were on display. Went over goal of $1400 for Week of Compassion. Host to "Wings Over Jordan" Negro choir. Wayne Greene, minister.

LAGRANDE: Gene Robinson left Mar. 3 for a new pastorate at Billings, Montana. Three added by baptism, 1 by transfer. L. E. Obert, of Boise, Idaho, is interim pastor. Pastor's class for children held before Easter.

HARRISBURG: Mary McGavran spoke March 1 and Keith Salmonson showed slides, March 8. Clyde and Mary Freeman held a Youth Crusade, March 15-20. Bible school remains steady. Vivian Blehm, reporter. Rex Jones, minister.

COQUILLE: Two added by baptism. Dr. John Ross spoke in Sunday school and church, February 15. Church orchestra presented two programs at the Sunday evening services. Week of Compassion offering was $187. Three attended the area men's meeting in Roseburg and seven attended the CYF Commission. On March 16, a 24-hour period in the brotherhood prayer chain was completely signed up. On March 15, a Family Life Workshop, with Dr. Lawrence Bixler, was begun. In February, $443 was given to missions. O. Doty, minister.

PORTLAND - PARKROSE: One added by baptism. NCC Advance dinner was held in February with Ed Eldridge and Bill Richardson of NCC. Pledged $2600 toward the building program. Meeting with Willie White planned for May. Dallas Meserve, pastor.

THE DALLES: Five added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Jack Sutton night with an all-church dinner was well attended with 106 at the banquet and 162 to hear the message. Our newest missionary group, the "Tillicums" (friends), sponsored a dinner and evening with John Sams, missionary to Thailand. We have a Bible-school enrollment of 607 and a church membership of 557. Ed Dewees directed three nights of visitation prior to our pre-Easter revival, our minister, H. Harold Johnson, directing.

SHERIDAN: Three added by transfer. Women held their annual birthday dinner, with Mrs. Blewford Osburn, state C.W.F. president, as speaker. C. E. had the best attendance at the rally at Dayton. New song books dedicated on Palm Sunday. Ralph Perry, minister.

LAKE GROVE: Seven added by baptism, 4 otherwise. Young people enjoyed a Saturday at Mount Hood. The minister, Don Johnson, gave the first Easter sermon to be given at Lake Oswego Junior High. Bible-school attendance climbing.

HILLSBORO: One added by baptism. Successful School of missions closed Mar. 1. High-school group went to Mt. Hood for an outing, March 7. CWF had an Easter luncheon, March 24, with state president, Mrs. Blewford Osburn, as guest speaker. Week of preaching by Clyde Freeman, April 12-17. Bible-school attendance is around 400 each week. We are working on an attendance gain to carry from Easter to April 12, the anniversary of moving into our new church. Jack Hann, minister.

CORVALLIS: James Dyson hired as assistant minister, effective July 1. New Communion table, pulpit, and chairs, given as memorials, dedicated March 1. Nine attended Men's Retreat and came home really enthusiastic to get things done. $971 received toward goal of $1000 for Week of Compassion. CWF sponsored a district program, with 125 women to hear Mrs. Don McGavran tell of experiences resulting from 40 years' missionary work in India under UCMS. School of Missions had average attendance of 175 for four Sunday evenings. Dr. John Ross and Dr. Don McGavran spoke. Glyn B. Adsit, minister.

EUGENE - NORKENZIE: Two added by transfer. We are holding fellowship dinners each Wednesday evening, with Bible study, prayer, committee meetings, and choir practice scheduled afterward. Held a Candlelight Communion service, March 26, with Lynnton Elwell of Eugene -Westside, as speaker. Dedication day for the new building was April 5, with Dr. Lawrence Bixler of NCC as speaker. Dean Grafft, minister.

ASTORIA: Valentine Love Offering collected February 15 for the benevolent homes of the area. The Hendershots of Turner Memorial Home were guests. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook were guests, March 8, with Mrs. Cook singing in the worship. C. E. busy with installation service, (rally at Tillamook, March 14, and plans to host the state convention. We have our new Allen organ almost paid for. Rex Lawson, pastor.

FOREST GROVE: Seven added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Completed School of Missions with a fine play by CYF. Week of Compassion offering was $451. We entertained the NCC quartet and Professor George Shoemaker. Our board voted to enter the NCC 1000 Mile Advance program, with presentation date, April 19. Our evangelism commission had its biggest program of pre-Easter campaigning. Elby Boosinger, minister.

DALLAS: Sixteen added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Host to the NCC drama trio and several youth groups of the area, March 8. Successful School of Missions completed in February with average attendance of 90. Sixty youth attended the CYF commission. According to the registration desk there were 425 registered at the close of the Oregon Assembly. Local committee chairmen were: Mrs. Eula Minnich, registration; Mrs. Carl Black, housing; Mrs. Jean Sarff and Mrs. Carl Black, room decorations and School of Missions display; Carl Black, Errett Woods and Harold Stapelton, room setup; Mrs. Beverly Fast, table decorations for banquets. Philip Wolfe, minister.

SWEET HOME: Seven added by baptism. Ward Rice of NCC was evangelist for a week of meetings preceding Easter, with Guy Aydelott, student at NCC, as song leader. Youth group entertained at rally, with 175 young people in attendance. Earl F. Downing, minister.

CEDAR HILLS: Host to Tualatin Valley Council of Church Women for their annual World Day of Prayer. Dr. and Mrs. John Ross spoke to a full sanctuary, Sunday evening, January 25. Youth Sunday observed January 25 with eight youth participating in the service. Three youth presented the morning sermon. Everett Cecil, minister.

EUGENE - BETHEL: Three added by baptism, 7 otherwise. Young adult class, recently formed, is coming along fine. They selected the name "Chiakong" from the Iroquois Indian language, which means "Do what you can." Mrs. Del Koskovich is teacher and Mr. Koskovich is

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Arnold Ledbetter, who came to the Home in November, 1955, passed away in McMinnville on March 7, 1959. He had been seriously ill for three months and spent the latter part of that time in a McMinnville hospital and a nursing home. Memorial services were conducted in that city by Elery A. Parrish on March 12. Brother Ledbetter was an active worker in the First Christian Church at McMinnville during his residence there and was a member of the Turner Christian Church at the time of his death.

TURNER MEMORIAL HOME
Turner, Oregon

chairman. Host to Allison Park Christian for Easter sunrise service, followed by a breakfast sponsored by the Chiakong class. Steve Fenn, minister.

YAMHILL: Three added by baptism. Successful Crusade for Youth with Clyde and Alice Freeman. NCC scholarship fund started by Christian Builder's class. Edwin Dewees of Turner Home presented work of the home. Pastor, Robert S. Kuykendall, and men attended Men's retreat at Camp Magruder. Pastor is local Red Cross chairman this year.

PENDLETON: On February 19, Mr. William Clark of Yakima Indian Christian Mission was installed as our new link missionary. CWF groups go to the State Hospital once each month to entertain a ward. John Sams, missionary to Thailand, was here. Six youth attended CYF commission in Eugene. Donald Payne, minister.

MILTON-FREEWATER: "Forward to Easter" campaign was held with friendship and comprehensive calling and a week of preaching. Elders adopted "Shepherding Plan" for contacting entire church membership rapidly. "World Friendship Tour" with Effie Ritchey in charge was a glorious success with over 100 present at each meeting. Speakers were John Sams, missionary to Thailand; Sherman Moore, new state director of evangelism; and a student from Guatemala. Seven young people attended the CYF Commission, where our Linda Rambo was elected state worship chairman. Young people attended Columbia Union C. E. convention at Wallowa, March 13-14, with Truman Robbins, minister, as speaker. Irene Warner, reporter.

SEASIDE: At a meeting of official Board, March 10, the following giving policy was established. The local church will give offerings to the State Board, Unified Promotion, NCC, NBA, Turner Memorial Home, and Wi-Ne-Ma Christian camp. W. R. Hensley, pastor.

PORT ORFORD: Four added by baptism. Property has been purchased for our new building and we now have the finances available to start construction as soon as our plans are approved. Dr. Guy Wright of NCC was here with his Bible collection and pictures of Palestine. Our pastor, Don Whitney, hopes to take the trip to Palestine with Dr. Wright this summer.

PORTLAND - KERN PARK: Three added by baptism, 11 otherwise. "Missionaries and Mission Stations around the World" has been the School of Missions' theme, ending with a banquet, March 15, with Wayne Greene as guest speaker. Father-Son banquet held February 23. Host to Bethany Preview with 7 churches sharing. Seven youth attended the CYF Commission. Barbara LaChambre, reporter. Kenneth Johnston, minister.

OREGON CITY: Three added by baptism. Willie White led in Crusade, March 15-April 5. New congregation established at Willamette, with 42 charter members. Elery Parrish helped in a week of meetings. Howard F. Hutchins, pastor, has been pastoring the new congregation for 16 months.

SALEM - LIBERTY: Three added by transfer. Started Unified Family Night with all activities included: choir practice, Bible study, prayer meeting, missionary study; Stewardship, maintenance, worship and evangelism committee meetings; elders, deacons and deaconesses meetings; and the monthly board meetings. Our minister, Don Stram, conducted an evangelistic meeting at Newberg, March 15-27. Bible school averaging 180.

EUGENE - FIRST: Successful home meetings were held in 36 homes on Sunday evening, March 1, under the direction of Dr. Walter Myers. 250 young people from all over the state attended the CYF Commission here, March 6-7. Lois (Mrs. F. F. "Monte") Montgomery was named Outstanding Young Woman of the Year, by the Eugene JAYCEE-ettes. Lois is an adviser for the CYF and outstanding youth leader here, and her husband is a member of the State Legislature from Lane County. A spring "senior members" party was held, March 17, with a combination church historical party and a travelogue of Ireland, by Mrs. R. C. Royston. "Roger Williams and Mary", a play, was presented by the NCC drama trio, March 15. After Easter we started the second phase of our "Responsible Discipleship" program, with the deacons in charge of this stewardship campaign. Helen Bingaman, reporter. Carroll O. Roberts, minister.

TILLAMOOK: Two added by baptism. A new missionary project, raising $5000 for new dorms at NCC, has been accepted. Over 100 youth attended coast rally here, March 14. Outstanding feature of School of Missions in February was a special tape made for us from Dr. Royal J. Dye, retired missionary from Africa. Plans are under way for a large Daily Vacation Bible School. Vivian Mondhan, reporter. Aldis Webb, minister.

LEBANON: Three added by baptism. Pre-Easter program included friendly visitation and personal evangelism plus a pastor's class for junior and Chi Rho youth on "The Meaning of Church Membership." Plans for the Area Observation - Demonstration School under the direction of Loma Mae Jones, April 7-9, here in Lebanon, are moving forward with prospects of an excellent school and good attendance. A beautiful aluminum cross for the communion table, "In Loving Memory of David Stitt," was presented by his family and dedicated March 1. David W. Nutting, minister.

PORTLAND - FIRST: Ten added by baptism, 24 otherwise. Decision day was March 15. Harold Glen Brown, minister.

"New Friends for Pepe"

The life of migrant Mexican workers forms the background for Anne Halladay's recently published book, "New Friends for Pepe."

The Bethany Press publication is designed for children from three to five years old.

Pepe's problem is his despair over leaving his friends and his school in Texas. But after an exciting truck ride to the new home, the little boy finds that his life will be full and happy, just as before.

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